# EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

## SENATE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Title IV of Senate Resolution 4, agreed to by the Senate on February 4, 1977, calls for establishment of a system for a computerized schedule of all meetings and hearings of Senate committees, subcommittees, joint committees, and committees of conference. This title requires all such committees to notify the Office of the Senate Daily Digest—designated by the Rules Committee-of the time, place, and purpose of the meetings, when scheduled, and any cancellations or changes in the meetings as they occur.

As an additional procedure along with the computerization of this information, the Office of the Senate Daily Digest will prepare this information for printing in the Extensions of Remarks section of the Congressional Record on Monday and Wednesday of each week.

Meetings scheduled for Monday, April 11, 2005 may be found in the Daily Digest of today's RECORD.

### MEETINGS SCHEDULED

### APRIL 12

9:30 a.m.

Appropriations

Agriculture, Rural Development, and Related Agencies Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2006 for the Department of Agriculture.

SD-124

Armed Services To receive a closed briefing regarding as-

sessment of Iraqi Security Forces.

Foreign Relations

To continue hearings to examine the nominations of John Robert Bolton, of Maryland, to be U.S. Representative to United Nations, with the rank and status of Ambassador and U.S. Representative in the Security Council of the United Nations, and Representative to the Sessions of the General Assembly of the United Nations during his tenure of service as Representative of the United States of America to the United Nations.

SD-419

10 a.m.

Energy and Natural Resources

To hold hearings to examine developing a reliable supply of oil from domestic oil shale and oil sands resources, focusing on opportunities to advance technology that will facilitate environmentally friendly development of oil shale and oil sands resources.

Intelligence

To hold hearings to examine the nomination of John D. Negroponte, of New York, to be Director of National Intelligence.

SH-216

10:15 a.m.

Commerce, Science, and Transportation To hold hearings to examine the nominations of Michael D. Griffin, of Virginia,

to be Administrator of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration. Joseph H. Boardman, of New York, to be Administrator of the Federal Railroad Administration, Department of Transportation, Nancy Ann Nord, of the District of Columbia, to be a Commissioner of the Consumer Product Commission, and William Safety Cobey, of North Carolina, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority.

SR-253

2:30 p.m.

Energy and Natural Resources National Parks Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine management and planning issues for the National Mall, including the history of the development, security projects and other planned construction, and future development plans.

SD-366

Armed Services

SeaPower Subcommittee

To hold closed hearings to examine Navy shipbuilding and industrial base status in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2006; to be followed by an open hearing in SR-232A.

SR-222

Intelligence

To continue hearings in closed session to examine the nomination of John D. Negroponte, of New York, to be Director of National Intelligence.

SH-219

To hold hearings to examine role of employer-sponsored retirement plans in increasing national savings.

SD-106

## APRIL 13

9:15 a.m.

Environment and Public Works

Business meeting to consider the nominations of Luis Luna, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, John Paul Woodley, Jr., of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Army, Major General Don T. Riley, United States Army, to be a Member and President of the Mississippi River Commission, Brigadier General William T. Grisoli, United States Army, to be a Member of the Mississippi River Commission, D. Michael Rappoport, of Arizona, and Michael Butler, of Tennessee, each to be a Member of the Board of Trustees of the Morris K. Udall Scholarship and Excellence in National Environmental Policy Foundation, Stephen L. Johnson, of Maryland, to be Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, and pending legis-

9:30 a.m.

Foreign Relations

To hold hearings to examine the nominations of Daniel Fried, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Secretary of State for European Affairs, and Robert Joseph, of Virginia, to be Under

Secretary of State for Arms Control and International Security.

SD-419

Indian Affairs

To hold oversight hearings to examine Indian Health.

SR-485

Judiciary

To hold hearings to examine securing electronic personal data, focusing on striking a balance between privacy and commercial and governmental use.

SD-226

10 a.m.

Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

To hold hearings to examine the Federal Home Loan Bank System.

Finance

To hold hearings to examine The U.S.-Central America-Dominican Republic Free Trade Agreement.

Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Business meeting to consider the nomination of Lester M. Crawford, of Maryland, to be Commissioner of Food and Drugs, Department of Health and Human Services

SD-430

Armed Services

Readiness and Management Support Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine high risk areas in the management of the Department of Defense in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2006.

SR-232A

10:30 a.m.

Appropriations

Legislative Branch Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2006 for the Office of the Secretary of the Senate and the Office of the Architect of the Capitol.

SD-116

11 a.m.

Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

Business meeting to consider S. 21, to provide for homeland security grant coordination and simplification, S. 335, to reauthorize the Congressional Award Act, S. 494, to amend chapter 23 of title 5. United States Code, to clarify the disclosures of information protected from prohibited personnel practices, require a statement in nondisclosure policies, forms, and agreements that such policies, forms, and agreements conform with certain disclosure protections, provide certain authority for the Special Counsel, S. 501, to provide a site for the National Women's History Museum in the District of Columbia, and certain committee reports. SD-342

11:30 a.m.

Energy and Natural Resources

Business meeting to consider pending calendar business.

SD-366

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Appropriations

Agriculture, Rural Development, and Related Agencies Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2006 for the Office of the Chief Economist, the Office of Farm and Foreign Agricultural Services, the Office of Natural Resources and the Environment, the Office of Rural Development, and the Office of Research, Education, and Economics, all of the Department of Agriculture.

SD-192

1:30 p.m.

Armed Services

Personnel Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine active and Reserve military and civilian personnel programs in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2006. SR-232A

2 p.m.

Judiciary

Constitution, Civil Rights and Property Rights Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine judicial activism regarding federal and state marriage protection initiatives.

SD-226

2:30 p.m.

Commerce, Science, and Transportation

To hold hearings to examine S. 714, to amend section 227 of the Communications Act of 1934 relating to the prohibition on junk fax transmissions.

SR-253 Intelligence To hold a closed briefing on intelligence

SH-219

#### APRIL 14

9:30 a.m.

Armed Services

matters.

To hold hearings to examine implementation by the Department of Defense of the National Security Personnel System.

SR-325

Judiciary

Business meeting to consider pending calendar business.

SD-226

Appropriations

Transportation, Treasury, the Judiciary, and Housing and Urban Development Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2006 for the Department of Housing and Urban Development.

10 a.m.

Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

To hold hearings to examine the implementation of the Terrorism Risk Insurance Program.

Commerce, Science, and Transportation Business meeting to consider S. 364, to establish a program within the National Oceanic Atmospheric Administration to integrate Federal coastal and ocean mapping activities, S. 714, to amend section 227 of the Communications Act of 1934 relating to the prohibition on junk fax transmissions, S. 432, to establish a digital and wireless network technology program, the proposed Surface Transportation Safety Improvement Act of 2005, and the nominations of a National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration motion List, Coast Guard Promotion List, and Coast Guard Promotion List.

Energy and Natural Resources

To hold hearings to examine S. 388, to amend the Energy Policy Act of 1992 to direct the Secretary of Energy to carry out activities that promote the adoption of technologies that reduce greenhouse gas intensity and to provide credit-based financial assistance and investment protection for projects that employ advanced climate technologies or systems, to provide for the establishment of a national greenhouse gas registry.

SD-366

Finance

To hold hearings to examine how to solve the tax gap.

Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions To hold hearings to examine lifelong education opportunities.

SD-430

Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

Oversight of Government Management, the Federal Workforce, and the District of Columbia Subcommittee

To hold oversight hearings to examine a review of the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act (UMRA), focusing on the impact of the UMRA on Federal, state, and local governments and explore if changes are necessary to strengthen the law's procedures, definitions, and

Veterans' Affairs

To hold joint hearings with the House Committee on Veterans Affairs to examine the legislative presentations of the Military Officers Association of America, the National Association of State Director of Veterans Affairs. AMVETS, the American Ex-Prisoners of War, and Vietnam Veterans of Amer-

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2 p.m.

Appropriations

Agriculture, Rural Development, and Related Agencies Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2006 for the Office of Marketing and Regulatory Programs, the Office of Food, Nutrition, and Consumer Services, and the Office of Food Safety and Inpection Service, all of the Department of Agriculture.

Appropriations

Energy and Water, and Related Agencies Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2006 for the National Nuclear Security Administration.

Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

To hold hearings to examine the ongoing need for comprehensive postal reform. SD-342

2:30 p.m.

Armed Services

Airland Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine Air Force acquisition oversight in review of the Defense Authorization Request for Fiscal Year 2006.

SR-232A

Immigration, Border Security and Citizenship Subcommittee

Terrorism, Technology and Homeland Security Subcommittee

To hold joint hearings to examine deportation and related issues relating to strengthening interior enforcement.

SD-226

#### APRIL 19

10 a.m.

Foreign Relations

To hold hearings to examine the Near East and South Asian experience relating to combating terrorism through education.

Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

To hold hearings to examine S. 334, to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act with respect to the importation of prescription drugs.

SD-430

Armed Services

SeaPower Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine the United States Marine Corps ground and rotary wing programs and seabasing in review of the Defense Authorization Request for Fiscal Year 2006.

## APRIL 20

10 a.m.

Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Education and Early Childhood Development Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine early childhood development.

SD-430

Small Business and Entrepreneurship

To hold hearings to examine the small business health care crisis, focusing on alternatives for lowering costs and covering the uninsured.

SR-428A

2 p.m.

Armed Services

Readiness and Management Support Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine the readiness of military units deployed in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Enduring Freedom in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2006.

SR-222

## APRIL 21

9:30 a.m.

Foreign Relations

To hold hearings to examine the anticorruption strategies of the African Development Bank, Asian Development Bank and European Bank on Reconstruction and Development.

SD-419

10 a.m.

Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions To hold hearings to examine Association Health Plans.

SD-430

Veterans' Affairs

To hold joint hearings with the House Committee on Veterans Affairs to examine the legislative presentations of the Fleet Reserve Association, the Air Force Sergeants Association, the Retired Enlisted Association, and the Gold Star Wives of America.

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2:30 p.m.

Judiciary

Intellectual Property Subcommittee To hold hearings to examine the patent system today and tomorrow.

SD-226

### APRIL 26

9:30 a.m.

Foreign Relations

To hold hearings to examine the Millennium Challenge Corporation's global impact.

SD-419

10 a.m.

Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Retirement Security and Aging Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine pensions.

SD-430

2:30 p.m.

Energy and Natural Resources

Public Lands and Forests Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine the preparedness of the Department of Agriculture and the Interior for the 2005 wildfire season, including the agencies' assessment of the risk of fires by region, the status of and contracting for aerial fire suppression assets, and other information needed to better understand the agencies ability to deal with the upcoming fire season.

SD-366

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9:30 a.m. Indian Affairs

To hold oversight hearings to examine regulation of Indian gaming.

SR-485

10 a.m.

Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Business meeting to consider pending calendar business.

SD-430

## APRIL 28

10 a.m.

Foreign Relations

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To hold hearings to examine U.S. Assistance to Sudan and the Darfur Crisis.

Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions To hold hearings to examine Higher Edu-

SD-430

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9:30 a.m.

Judiciary

To hold an oversight hearing to examine the Federal Bureau of Investigation's translation program.

SD-226

### SEPTEMBER 20

10 a.m.

Veterans' Affairs

To hold joint hearings with the House Committee on Veterans Affairs to examine the legislative presentation of the American Legion.

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# CANCELLATIONS APRIL 12

10 a.m. Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe

To hold hearings to examine.

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### APRIL 19

10 a.m.

Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Retirement Security and Aging committee

To hold hearings to examine pensions.

SD-430

### POSTPONEMENTS

### APRIL 12

9:30 a.m.

Foreign Relations

To hold hearings to examine U.S. agricultural sales to Cuba.

SD-419

### APRIL 13

10 a.m.

Appropriations

Defense Subcommittee

To hold closed hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2006 for intelligence and global intelligence programs.

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